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## NEW ELECTRIC POWER FACILITIES PLANNED

CZECH-POLISH POWER PLANT PLANNED -- Svobodne Slovo, No 29, 4 Feb 49

Since World War II, plans have been made for a great power plant to be built jointly by Czechoslovakia and Poland to replace the large power plant at Dwory, near Oswiecim, which was removed during the occupation. Poland, as the builder, is to provide the site, the manpower, building material, and some mechanical equipment, and arrange for the importation of certain important parts from abroad. Czechoslovakia will provide the plans and most of the mechanical equipment.

The plant is to be completed in 1952. It will generate 600-700 million kilowatt hours per year, half of which will be used by Czech industry and half by Polish consumers. The plant will use Polish coal.

The plant will be located in Poland 80 kilometers from the Czech border.

POWER PLANTS FULFILL JANUARY PLAN -- Rude Pravo, No 28, 3 Feb 49

The electric power plants fulfilled their January plan as follows: Ervenice I, 102.8 percent; Ervenice II, 90.1; Pardubice, 109.9; Kolín, 127.6; Střekov, 110.6; and Tmáč, 114.9. The hydroelectric plants had difficulties with the shortage of water.

The Prague-Michle plant of the Western Czech Gas Works fulfilled its plan for the production of gas 100.2 percent. The Stalin Factories in Most fulfilled their plan for the production of gas 87.1 percent, and for the production of electric power, 112.5 percent.

ZILINA KRAJ FULFILLS ELECTRIFICATION PLAN -- Pravda, No 22, 27 Jan 49

The former kraj management of the Slovak Electric Power Plants in Zilina fulfilled its electrification plan 105 percent in the two-year plan by connecting 64 towns in Orava, Kysucky Liptov, Turiec, and the Povazi to the electrical network; the connection of 61 towns had been planned. The total

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expenditure for the electrification of these towns was 65,929,217 crowns.

Upon completion of the two-year plan in Zilina Kraj, seven okres have more than 75 percent of their towns electrified, and only three okres are under 50 percent. In Zilina Okres 93.3 percent of the towns are electrified; Turciansky Svaty Martin, 88.8; Trencin, 88.7; Dolny Kubin, 86; Cadca, 85.7; Ruzomberok, 84; Bytca, 76; Kysucke Nove Mesto, 64.3; Puchov, 60.5; Liptovsky Svaty Mikulas, 56.9; Považska Bystrica, 47.5; Trstena, 40.5; and Namestovo, 36.

#### ELECTRIFICATION PROCEEDS IN SLOVAKIA -- Pravda, No 17, 21 Jan 49

The Ministry of Technology [for Slovakia] planned the electrification of 300 towns in the two-year plan; 340 towns in Slovakia were electrified, thus exceeding the plan. It has been announced that the following 10 additional towns were joined to the electrical network in January: Lehota (Nitra Okres), Besa (Vrable), Zelezovce (Modry Kamen), Myto pod Dumbierom, Zavadka (Humenne), Pavlovce (Kapusany), Soma (Sabinov), Herl'any (Kosice), Bankovce, and Nizny Hrabovec (Vranov).

#### CONSTRUCTION OF DAM AT BEROUN -- Rude Pravo, No 20, 25 Jan 49

The construction of the dam on the Berounka River at Beroun is being completed. The completion of the entire project was planned for the end of 1950. The employees of the enterprise PA 509 (formerly Ianna) succeeded in substantially completing the project under their supplementary plan on 28 October. Water is already running over the dam.

#### MANUFACTURE OF STORAGE BATTERIES -- Obrana Lidu, No 36, 12 Feb 49

Storage batteries, dry cells, and battery cases are manufactured in several factories of the "Bateria" (Battery) state enterprise and some others. The factory in Mlada Boleslav makes starting, motorcycle, lighting plant, traction Edison, and lead storage batteries. The factory is working at full capacity, and it fulfilled its two-year plan 105.45 percent; 25 percent of its workers are women.

Locomotive batteries are a specialty of this factory. One storage battery unit weighs 480 kilograms, and 64 such units are required for one locomotive.

Many different kinds of batteries are manufactured at the "Akumulatorka" (Storage Battery) plant of the same enterprise at Radotin, which has been given the same plan as the Mlada Boleslav plant.

A million crowns have been allotted for building five storage battery factories during 1949.

#### POWER RESTRICTIONS LIFTED -- Obrana Lidu, No 36, 12 Feb 49

According to an official announcement in Uredni List, No 28, the restrictions on the consumption of electricity and steam heat will be rescinded as of 14 February. Controls regarding the time when service may begin will be lifted at the same time.

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